

## NEWS RELEASE

Subject: Road Repairs in 40th Ave/Fruitvale Area

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## Road Resurfacing Project to Impact Traffic in 40<sup>th</sup> Ave/Fruitvale Area

Annual street maintenance work by City of Yakima's Streets Division crews will impact traffic on sections of 40<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Fruitvale Boulevard and will result in nearby streets being used as detour routes from Monday, August 12<sup>th</sup> through Wednesday, August 14<sup>th</sup>.

The 40<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Fruitvale Boulevard intersection will be closed to all traffic from 9:00 pm on Monday, August 12<sup>th</sup> until 5:00 am on Tuesday, August 13<sup>th</sup> and again from 9:00 pm on Tuesday, August 13<sup>th</sup> until 5:00 am on Wednesday, August 14<sup>th</sup>. The 40<sup>th</sup> Avenue exits off of Highway 12 will also be closed during those same hours on those same days. Drivers on Highway 12 will have to use either the 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue exit or the Suntides exit to enter Yakima while the project is underway.

Additionally, the northbound lanes of 40<sup>th</sup> Avenue between Fruitvale Boulevard and Powerhouse Road will be closed to through traffic from 6:00 pm on Monday, August 12<sup>th</sup> until 5:00 am on Tuesday, August 13<sup>th</sup> and again from 6:00 pm on Tuesday, August 13<sup>th</sup> through 5:00 am on Wednesday, August 14<sup>th</sup>. Fruitvale Boulevard between 34<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 40<sup>th</sup> Avenue will also be closed to through traffic those same hours on those same days.

Traffic controls will also be in place along 40<sup>th</sup> Avenue between Powerhouse Road and Englewood Avenue from August 12<sup>th</sup> through August 14<sup>th</sup> as City crews repair portions of the roadway.

Access to homes and businesses in the project areas will be maintained as best as possible and emergency vehicles will be allowed through the project areas if necessary.

While the projects are underway, traffic delays in the project areas will occur. Drivers should use alternate routes if possible until the work is completed.

As always, the schedule for these types of projects is subject to change daily dependent on weather, equipment failure, and emergencies.

For additional information about these projects, contact Streets and Traffic Operations Manager Joe Rosenlund at 576-6430.